

SLAIN IN ACTION

Former City Trooper and Captain Duncan Killed by One Shell

BURIED SIDE BY SIDE

Major Lloyd's Letter Comments Ex-Princetonian Editor as Clean and Noble Man

Lieutenant Benjamin Bullock, 3d, has been killed in action in France. The name shell that killed Captain Joseph Gray Duncan, of Cynwyd, whose death was announced yesterday, struck down Lieutenant Bullock. Death came instantly to both.

It was through a letter from Major Francis Lloyd, of Newtown Square, telling of Captain Duncan's death, that the news of Lieutenant Bullock's was also divulged.

Lieutenant Bullock was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bullock of Edgewood road, Ardmore. He is a graduate of Princeton, class of 1916, and was editor of the Daily Princetonian, the university paper, in his senior year. He was a member of the First City Troop and was prominent socially in this city and along the Main Line. After leaving college he entered the employ of the Curtis Publishing Company, and soon won for himself an important executive position.

When the United States declared war on Germany, Lieutenant Bullock applied for the first officers' training camp at Fort Niagara, and his name was high in the list of graduates. He was assigned to Camp Meade and assigned to the 315th Regiment, a unit composed largely of drafted men from Philadelphia. He made an excellent officer and was in line for promotion when he was killed.

His father, Benjamin Bullock, 2d, is a member of the wool firm of Bullock Brothers, and is Federal wool appraiser for the Philadelphia district.

Lieutenant Bullock and Captain Duncan were killed on September 29 during the drive west of the Meuse. They have been buried side by side in the little village of Nantillois, which American troops took from the boches.

Major Lloyd's letter follows: "He was killed while on his way back from the firing line to regimental headquarters. Captain Duncan, of the machine gun company of our regiment (the 315th Infantry), was with him and was also killed by the same shell.

"It was on the afternoon of the fourth day of our drive, which started at dawn on the morning of the 26th, and we had advanced through Malancourt, Montfaucon and Nantillois, and had reached the woods on the Farm de la Madeleine. Ben had been in the whole drive right at the front, doing the work of several men and always at the front of our line.

"The whole regiment realizes that it has lost a brilliant and capable officer, and his promotion was assured. He was killed instantly and, fortunately, escaped suffering.

"I know of none who had led a cleaner or nobler life. We buried him in a little yard which was laid out for our troops on the Nantillois-Montfaucon road. His grave is in the center, beside that of Captain Duncan, under a small cherry tree. I had a stone placed at the head, which will be marked at the first opportunity. One of our mechanics made a cross, which was also placed at the head, on which was written his name and regiment and on which was nailed his identification card."

ANOTHER FARM FOR POOR

Justice Simpson Gives Plot as Retreat for Children

Justice Alexander Simpson, Jr., of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, has presented to the City of Philadelphia a Church with a fresh-air farm for poor children. Children of the city's courts and alleys will be taken to the farm for outings during the summer and it will also be used as a rest home for working girls.

The farm, which will be under direction of the City Mission and Church Extension Society, will cost about \$20,000. Bishop Joseph F. Berry, who has been commissioned by Mr. Simpson to purchase the property, has three farms sites under consideration, each within twenty-five miles of the city.

In addition to the farm buildings, a number of barns will be erected to house the children and working girls. For many years, Mr. Simpson has been giving liberally to church work and benevolence.



LIEUT. BENJAMIN BULLOCK 3d Well-known Philadelphia, who was killed in action west of the Meuse on September 29

DARBY ENSIGN DIES ABROAD

Pneumonia Victim Was First From That Section to Enlist

Ensign James McMeekin, U. S. N., the first young man to enlist from Darby when the United States declared war and the first to volunteer for service on the Mexican border after Villa shot up Columbus, N. M., died in Paris of pneumonia, October 19. Word was received officially by his mother, Mrs. Mary McMeekin, 871 Main street, Darby, and by his young wife, who was Miss Helen McWhirly. No details were given.

Ensign McMeekin volunteered in the navy as a machinist's mate, and within a short time was made machinist, and soon afterward received his commission. He sailed for foreign service several months ago, where he remained until taken with the disease which ended in his death.

Ensign McMeekin when the National Guard went to the Mexican border enlisted in the Second Infantry, N. G. P., which was changed to field artillery on the border. He made several trips of supply trains into Mexico from El Paso to General Pershing's troops in the interior because of his knowledge of automobiles.

CAN'T KEEP UP WITH FOE

German's Retreat Makes Fighting Secondary, Writes Soldier

"The fighting is secondary; the greatest difficulty we experience is to keep in back of the 'flying Dutchman' as fast as he retreats," writes Charles Fagan, 1008 Dakota street, from France. Fagan was a mess clerk before he was drafted in October, 1917. He trained at Camp Meade. He is now with Company D, headquarters battalion, general headquarters, in France. "We are in a rest camp," he writes, "after taking part in the St. Mihiel affair. We were right in it from the CHARLES FAGAN beginning, and it was a hard fight. The birds (the Germans) are some 'homers,' and I'll bet that every one that goes west was shot in the back. "Peace is only a question of a few months in fact; it might be this letter. That would be going too fast though, I guess, but leave it to us. We'll bring home the bacon."

Woman Crushed by Elevator Dies

Wilhelmina Kowanski, scrubwoman in the Land Title and Trust Company Building, died today in Hahnemann Hospital of injuries received last night, when she was crushed by an elevator while at work. The cause of the accident has not been determined. She was found when her screams attracted other employees of the building. She was forty years old, and lived at 906 North Alder street.

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PERSHING'S RELATIVE HERE MADE CAPTAIN

Philadelphia Lawyer Becomes Captain in Army Service Corps

Edgar J. Pershing, a relative of General Pershing, commander of American forces in France, has been awarded a commission as captain in the army service corps. Announcement of his appointment has been made by the War Department at Washington. Captain Pershing is an attorney and his home is at 1314 Walnut street.

Among others from Philadelphia to get commissions is Henry W. Ellison, Jr., of J. B. Ellison & Sons, 24 South Sixth street. He has been commissioned a captain in the quartermaster's corps. John Sinnott, the distiller, 232 South Front street, has been commissioned a first lieutenant in the motor transport corps.

Others from Philadelphia commissioned follow: Motor transport corps—First Lieutenant, Edwin M. Evans, 44 North Fifth street, Philadelphia; Charles B. Griffin, 4827 Sansom street, Philadelphia. Second lieutenant, Richard A. Wiley, 326 North Fifth-fourth street, Philadelphia.

Air service (production)—Second lieutenant, John P. Hauch, Philadelphia.

Sanitary corps—Second lieutenant, Edwin F. Voigt, 322 North Third-second street, Camden, N. J.

Transportation corps—Second lieutenant, Robert E. Chew, 712 Rowden street, Camden, N. J.; Samuel R. Harney, 419 Spruce street, Philadelphia; Francis E. Markey, 920 North Fallon street, Philadelphia.

Navy Yard Mechanic Killed

While working on a pipe-bending machine at the navy yard, where he was employed as a mechanic, Thomas A. Martin, thirty-six years old, of 2444 East Clearfield street, was caught in the fly-wheel of the machine. He was dashed on to the cement floor and suffered injuries that resulted in his death a few minutes later.



IRWIN T. CATHARINE

I. T. CATHARINE COMMISSIONED

Son of Joseph W. Catharine Made Lieutenant

Irwin T. Catharine, 5919 Walnut street, an architect, has just been awarded a commission as a second lieutenant in the Motor Transport Corps and will leave in a few days for Camp Joseph Johnson, Jacksonville, Fla. He is the son of Joseph W. Catharine, who is the son of Joseph W. Catharine, an attorney and member of the Board of Education.

Catharine had made two other attempts to get a commission, once in ground work for the aviation and another time for another technical branch. Both times he took the prescribed course and passed examinations, but before his turn came to be called the branches had been filled. He began trying for a commission fifteen months ago.

Catharine was at one time a member of the old Second City Troop, an one of the youngest privates. He enlisted in 1904 and left the troop in 1907 following an operation for appendicitis.

BIG EXPRESS THEFTS CAUSE FIVE ARRESTS

Employees of Company and Alleged Receivers of \$15,000 Booty Held

A series of thefts from the American Railway Express Company, which extended over a period of several months, resulted in the arrest of five men, who it is alleged, operated a system which brought quick sales for the stolen goods.

Colter, who gave an address at Third and Market streets, and Ben Fogel, of Fourth and Bainbridge streets, directed the system, the police say, and reaped big profits. Goods valued at \$15,000 were stolen during the operations of the quintet, it is held.

Colter and Fogel were held in \$1000 bail each for a further hearing today by Magistrate Watson. Three others in the employ of the company were arraigned on Monday. They are Leon Simpson, Harlan street and Susquehanna avenue; John Hicks, Woodstock and Berks streets, and Max Alexander, Fourth and Titan streets. Colter conducted a "feeder" under the guise of a business concern near Third and Market streets, according to the police, and sold a large amount of the goods stolen from the express company.

Detectives Franklin, of the Twentieth and Berks streets police station and Brooke, of the express company, who shot down so far inside the German lines that they were not observed. He won his official victory on September 24, when he sent a boche flier crashing to earth in flames just inside the American first line.

Lieutenant Owens is from Baltimore, but he made his home for a time in Germantown. He enlisted in January, 1917, and went to Ohio State University, then to Canada and then to Kelly Field, Tex. He went to France in February.

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